Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER of the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de) dated 2008-12-19

The Team of the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF would like to wish you
and your families and friends a very nice christmas time and we
will try to spread out the last newsletter of the year 2008 end
of week 52/2008 (in any kind you have still some input ;-))

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Latest NEWS/INFO for the NEWSLETTER
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METEORSCATTER - GEMINIDS 2008 - a review:
As written before IMO (International Meteor Organization) will
have build up a nice page for reviewing the Geminids 2008:
http://www.imo.net/live/geminids2008/
Observed ZHR was above 100 hr-1 level for more than 6 hours,
with a maximum around 02.30 UT on December 14. (ZHRmax 139)
Data has been received from 38 observers in 17 countries.
SOURCE: IMO (International Meteor Org. at http://www.imo.net/)

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MS - What is coming next? (see: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/ms.php)
Several minor showers are also active in December: see the list
of the most significant ones below. Among these, one shower capable
to make some surprises is Ursids, having maximum on Dec. 22.
Early January brings usual strong meteor activity coming from
Quadrantids shower. Quadrantids maximum for 2009 is predicted by IMO
on January 3, at 12.50 UT. Expected ZHR is 120 hr-1,
SOURCE: The MMMonVHF Team

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HB, SWITZERLAND (6m News). The Swiss authorities will allocate
the 50 MHz band to amateur radio on a secondary basis on Jan 1,
2009. All Swiss and foreign CEPT class licensees may transmit
with 100 watts PEP on 50-52 MHz without any antenna restrictions.
Primary users may not be disturbed which includes the Ticino since
there are still some TV stations active on the VHF band I in
Northern Italy.
SOURCE: [GOLIST] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #888]

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New version of Winrad released - I just released a new version
of Winrad at www.winrad.org Hopefully this will fix the occasional
problem of it not displaying when some virus scanners are installed
on your computer. Please let me know if you still see any bugs.
Thanks for the work on the code go to Michael White, G3WOE and also
to Charles Buse, HB9EGW. 73, Jeffrey Pawlan WA6KBL
SOURCE: Jeffrey, WA6KBL via MoonNet

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A Giant Breach in Earth's Magnetic Field (dec. 16th, 2008)
NASA's five THEMIS spacecraft have discovered a breach in Earth's

magnetic field ten times larger than anything previously thought
to exist. Solar wind can flow in through the opening to "load up"
the magnetosphere for powerful geomagnetic storms. But the breach
itself is not the biggest surprise. Researchers are even more amazed
at the strange and unexpected way it forms, overturning long-held
ideas of space physics - read http://science.nasa.gov/headlines/
SOURCE: SIENCE@NASA

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Latest DXPEDITION and EVENT NEWS - Please do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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Ian, G0AFH, will be qrv from IO62(ne) on 144 MHz (as well MS and
maybe EME) and on 3 cm band with the call EI4VXV. LATEST NEWS from
Ian, G0AFH 2008-12-19: Please use this contact form
http://g0afh.com/tinc?key=90Mbo0v5&formname=ei_contact
if you need a sked. 73 and hope to see you on the bands. Ian
As well the MMMoNVHF DXBlog will be tried to setup:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/showblog.php?ca=EI4VXV
SOURCE: tnx Ian, G0AFH, direct to MMMonVHF

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The QSLs are now ready for mailing and all direct ones (with SASE
or return postage) received at DF2ZC should be replied by Monday.
Frank DH7FB's cards might be mailed just a little later because
the cards first need to be mailed from here to Berlin. Sample is
on http:/www.df2zc.de/images/qslmudxp.jpg Direct QSLs with SASE
or SAE plus 1 $ within EU, 2 $ outside EU for postage, please.
Direct QSLs with no or no sufficient return postage will be
answered via buro only...
SOURCE: Bernd, DF2ZC at N0UK-Logger and MoonNet

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This 21-12-08 EE1URO will go to portable and many EA station will
try QSO in 23cm band. Hello all. In this moment The station are:
EE1URO/P.....IN61 - EA3EDU.......JN01 - EA1BLA/P.....IN53
EB2FJN/P.....IN83 - EB1BXW/P.....IN63 - EA1FBU.......IN52
EA1BYA.......IN70 - EA8AVI.......IL28 - EA1KV........IN52
EA2AGZ.......IN91 - QRG: 1296.225 usb / 144.325 usb UTC: +- 10:00 am.
Sure this number will be higher because I'm calling to other
stations. Regards Pedro EB2FJN celorno"at"terra"dot"es
SOURCE: tnx Pedro, EB2FJN direct to MMMonVHF

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Gius, IS0/IT9VDQ, did send a story and log to MMMonVHF about his
nice activity from Sardinia during the Geminids 2008 - youll find
it: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/upload-news/DL8EBW/LOGS/IS0IT9VDQ.txt
Of course there are NO QSO-details from the BCC MS-Contest time!
SOURCE: tnx Gius, IS0/IT9VDQ direct to MMMonVHF

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Dirk, ON5GS, did fill the MMMonVHF DXBlog in the last days of his
EI-Trip with the QSOs during his stay in IO55 and IO65. We did set
these info down to the REVIEW page and made a listing as well at:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/upload-news/DL8EBW/LOGS/EION5GSP.txt

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SOURCE: tnx Dirk, ON5GS direct to MMMonVHF

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Solemon. Isl., H4. DK9FN, Siegfried (Sigi), gives us more details on his trip to Temotu Province in March 2009. As you will remember he will be joining up with DL2GAC/H44MS, Bernhard (see yesterday's issue). Sigi will arrive in Lata, Temotu Province on Monday March 2nd and departing on Monday the 16th. Activity will run for the entire two weeks beginning on the 2nd and ending on the 15th. No XYLs will be on this trip and each of the ops plans to be QRV at least 12 hours a day. Sigi will be operating on CW only on 1.8 through 50 MHz. DL2GAC (H44MS), Bernhard will be QRV as H40MS on SSB and Pactor only. DL2NUD, Hermann, will be the EME OP on 2m from QI90. Callsign unknown at this point.... More in detail about the 144 MHz EME when Hermann is qrv from there...
SOURCE: (The Daily DX Vol. 12 No. 238) via 50 MHz DX News, by OZ6OM

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Wallis and Futuna, FW. Three Hungarian ops are seeking financial support for a month-long expedition to Wallis and Futuna, FW. HA0NAR, HA9RE and HA9SDA, two OMs and a YL, say this is one a lot of people need on the low bands. Tentative dates are January 23 to February 23. They're asking for the callsign FW0RE. If they have trouble getting that, they'll operate FW/home calls, but are still waiting for operating approvals. They'll be well equipped with three FT897D radios, two one-KW solid state amps, verticals for 160, 80, 40 and 30, a Spiderbeam for 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 and a 5-element Yagi for 6. QSL via HA8IB.
SOURCE: (The Daily DX Vol. 12 No. 237) via 50 MHz DX News, by OZ6OM

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US Virgin Is., KP2. Japanese operators JA1CJA, JA3AVO and JA3BZO will be visiting the KP2M rental radio shack on St. Croix, US Virgin Is. They will arrive on January 16th and operate KP2 portable with their respective home calls from the 17th until the 22nd. Look for activity on 1.8 through 50 MHz on CW, SSB and the digital modes. The group will head back home to Japan on January 23rd. On their way to and from KP2 they will stop in Everett, WA from Jan 8-14 and 25-27.
SOURCE: (The Daily DX] Vol. 12 No. 235) via 50 MHz DX News, by OZ6OM

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Grand Cayman Island, ZF. Father and son team W2VQ, Gary, and WQ2N Paul, will be operating from Grand Cayman Island as ZF2VQ and ZF2NN respectively from December 28th to January 3rd. Look for them on 1.8 through 50 MHz on CW, SSB and RTTY. They will not be on for the ARRL RTTY Round Up as they have an early flight out on the third. They will have beams, verticals and dipoles and will be running 100 watts, with an emphasis on Eu and Asia. QSL via their home calls.
SOURCE: (The Daily DX] Vol. 12 No. 234) via 50 MHz DX News, by OZ6OM

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The Mexican Contest and DX group, will use for its 4th anniversary the special callsign 4A1DXXE , between Dec 25th 2008 until Jan 2009, 6th. 160 to 6 metres , CW, SSB & RTTY. QSL vï¿½a N7RO and LoTW.
More information : www.dxxe.org Merci, Javier, LU5FF
SOURCE: tnx Maurice, F5NQL DX News

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Special event station GB5ONG will be active between 22 December and
4 January to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the Nos Galan Races
held on New Year's Eve each year at Mountain Ash near Aberdare,
South Wales. They will be active on 160, 80, 40 and 20m SSB and
possibly PSK31, RTTY and CW. There will also be a talk in frequency
of 145.400MHz available for any visitors. Operating times/schedules
will be available nearer the date on www.qrz.com. QSL via MW6VHF,
direct or bureau. Further details available at www.nosgalan.co.uk/
SOURCE: [GB2RS] via Dave, VA3RJ, ICPO Bulletin (December 18-26,2008)

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SOTA-News - Upcoming Activations updated at our MMMonVHF page
as long these including VHF or U/SHF-Activity. A complete over-
view about all SOTA-Activities are on: www.sotawatch.org/alerts.php
SOURCE: tnx Summits On The Air (via SOTAwatch2 (beta) Page)

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USER of the VHF-DX-Portal
MMMonVHF as well by a lot of free usable HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources and chats
like ON4KST-, N0UK-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat and others...

*** Many thanks to all USER who send us info and news ***

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the info.
If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed at our
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for an expedition,
PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or http://www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info as much
up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the info does not
violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy.

Have a lot of fun and enjoy MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team
(DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA HA5CRX IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY & PA4EME)

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